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UM HOSTS LOCAL GOVERNMENT SYMPOSIUM
ON SATURDAY, NOV. 15

MISSOULA--

A symposium entitled "Local Government: Problems and Prospects" will be at the University of Montana Women's Center 107 Saturday, Nov. 15. The sessions, open to the public, will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. Panels will begin at 9 a.m. and continue throughout the day.

The symposium will bring together academic specialists from four Montana colleges and universities, as well as local government officials, members of city and county local government study commissions and interested citizens.

Four panels are scheduled on the program, dealing with the topics: improving local government; financing local government; the significance of citizen attitudes for local government, and coping with today's changing environment of local government.

Some of the panel members are Roland R. Renne, director of foreign trade studies, and Frank H. Bryan, head of the department of political science, both of Montana State University, Bozeman, and John H. McQuiston, associate professor of sociology, and John H. Wicks, professor of economics, both of UM.

Practitioners of local government who will participate on the panels are John Crowley, director of planning, and John H. Toole, both of Missoula; Jean M. Bowman, Billings; Dan Mizner, director of League of Cities and Towns, Helena; Great Falls City Manager Richard Thomas, and Arlyne Reichert of Great Falls.

The symposium is being sponsored by the Bureau of Government Research at UM.

According to Dr. Thomas Payne, professor of political science and symposium chairman, the sessions "should be especially valuable for officials of city and county governments in Montana, as well as for members of local study commissions."

Additional information about the symposium, which is partially funded by a grant from Community Services Programs, can be obtained by contacting Payne or the Bureau of Government Research, Liberal Arts 152/153, University of Montana, Missoula, or by phoning 243-2461.